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BELGRAVIA BRANCH.—*Sec.:* Miss Paterson, 28, Victoria Street, S.W. *Treasurer:* Mrs. Hallam Murray. On May 21st, a lecture was delivered by the Rev. F. B. Westcott, M.A., Headmaster of Sherborne School, on "The Parents' Part in the Religious Training of Boys."

HYDE PARK AND BAYSWATER BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. E. L. Franklin, 9, Pembridge Gardens, W. *May 28th.* Professor Armstrong, F.R.S., gave a most interesting lecture on the "Early Scientific Training of Children," at 17, Pembridge Square, by the kindness of Dr. Gladstone, F.R.S., who occupied the chair. The Bayswater Branch of the Teachers' Guild had been invited, and there was a very good audience to listen to Professor Armstrong's able address, in which he advocated all the P.N.E.U. principles, viz.: formation of good habits and character, the aim of education; importance of handwork and nature lore, etc. He urged the introduction of a well-made *balance* in every school and home, as tending to form habits of truth and accuracy. *June 13th.* Professor Shuttleworth gave a lecture on "The Art of Reading," at 83, Lancaster Gate, by the kindness of the Earl of Meath, Dr. Schofield in the chair. This very excellent lecture formed the end of a session of eight meetings with which this branch has started its first year of existence. The outdoor Natural History Lessons have been much appreciated. Excursions are made on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, to places within one hour's rail from London. Fee for single lessons, 2s. All further particulars from Mrs. Franklin, who is at home, at 9, Pembridge Gardens, on Thursday mornings.

HAMPSTEAD AND ST. JOHN'S WOOD BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. C. Herbert-Smith, The Retreat, North End.—On *June 8th*, The Misses Ridley, of Stagshaw, Daleham Gardens, kindly invited the members of this branch to meet the C section of the Teachers' Guild. A large number accepted invitations, and spent a very pleasant afternoon. An address was given by Miss H. Q. Brown, on Wilberforce University, Ohio, U.S.A.

WOODFORD AND WANSTEAD BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Pedley, Grove Cottage, Wanstead.

CLAPHAM BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Miss E. Bloxam, 29, Northside, Clapham Common. A Drawing-room meeting was held at 13, Cedars Road, by kind invitation of Mrs. Beveridge, at 8 p.m., on Thursday,

May 23rd, when Miss Agnes Ward (member of the Council of the Fröebel Society, and late Principal of the Maria Grey Teachers' Training College), read a paper on "How to Develop our little Children by Training their Powers." Mr. C. G. Montefiore, chairman of the Fröebel Society, kindly occupied the chair. The paper was greatly appreciated. The next Reading Circle will be held on June 17th, at 8 p.m., and the next lecture will be given at Elm House, by kind invitation of Miss Penfold, on June 27th at 4 p.m.

HIGHGATE AND CROUCH END BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. G. Handcock, 2, Christchurch Road. A meeting of this branch was held on Friday, May 31st, at Elm Croft, Hornsey Lane (by kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. Barrett). Miss Helen Webb, M.B., gave a lecture on "Habit," laying stress on the growth of habit, both good and bad, in children, and the best manner of dealing with them from a parent's point of view. Miss Webb insisted on the importance of direct action consequent upon a good resolution, and the bad effects upon the character of mere mental resolutions without corresponding actions. The Rev. F. Ealand, M.A., Mr. J. A. Craig, Mr. E. Ebblewhite and others joined in the discussion that followed.

DULWICH BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Whiteley, The Chesnuts, Dulwich Common. A meeting was announced for June 25th, at which Miss C. M. Mason was to speak.

NORTH FINCHLEY.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Ramsey Wilson, Longcroft, Woodside Park. A meeting to inaugurate this branch was held on June 10th at Netherelms, Woodside Park (by the kindness of Mrs Chas. Wimbush), when an address was given by Miss Edith A. Barnett.

READING BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mr. William Salmon, 56, London Street. The last meeting of this branch was held on Saturday afternoon, May 11th, at Ascham House, by the kind invitation of Miss Abrams. The chair was taken by Dr. J. B. Hurry at 3.30, when Mrs. F. Steinthal gave an address on "Clay Modelling." After questions had been asked and answered, a vote of thanks to Mrs. Steinthal for her very interesting and instructive lecture was moved by Mr. F. Bate, seconded by the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis.

Arrangements are being made through the kindness of Mrs. Hart-Davis for an open air meeting to be held at Dunsden Vicarage early in July, when a lecture will be given on some botanical subject. Members who wish to do so can have places reserved for them in brakes, which will be engaged, by sending their names and 2s. to the Hon. Secretary not later than four days before the date of the meeting.

SOUTHDOWN BRANCH.—

Brighton Centre.—Hon. Sec.: Mrs. William Borrer, Pakyns Manor, Hurstpierpoint.

Eastbourne Centre.—Hon. Sec.: Mrs. G. F. Butt, Ingleside, Selwyn Road.

Hastings and St. Leonard's Centre.—Hon. Sec.: Mrs. Edward Venables, S. Bernard's Lodge, London Road, S. Leonards. The work of the session in this centre was brought to a close on

May 27th; when a very interesting lecture was given by Oakley E. Higgens, M.A., M.B., on "The Formation of Habit," at Capleine-Ferne (by the kind permission of Mrs. Tubbs). The chair was taken (owing to the unavoidable absence of the Rev. Prebendary Jones) by W. Knighton, Esq., LL.D.

LEEDS BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Arthur Smithells, 4, St. Chad's Gardens, Far Headingly.

SOUTHPORT BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. James Dixon, 8, Preston Road.

CARDIFF BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Greener, 1, Clare Street, Riverside.

SCARBOROUGH BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. G. Rowntree, 14, Valley Bridge, Scarborough.

SHEFFIELD BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Newton Coombe, Brocco Bank, and Miss Walmsley, the High School.

FOLKESTONE BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec:* Mrs. Henry Baynes, 9, Christchurch Road. *Treasurer:* Mrs. Copland-Griffith. This branch is now well started, and numbers 35 members. A meeting was held on May 30th, by kind invitation of the President, Lady Katherine Eustace, when a paper was read by Mrs. Baynes on "The Ethics of Punishment," followed by an interesting discussion. Meetings were announced for—June 13th, "The Gouin Method of Teaching Languages"; and June 25th, "True Education," by J W. Tyson, Esq., M.D. A small lending library has been started, and natural history rambles for children have been arranged.

BEDFORD.—Arrangements are being made for a meeting to inaugurate a branch in this town, at which it is hoped that Miss C M. Mason will speak. For particulars apply to Miss C. F. Barnett, 31, Spencer Road.

BROUGHTY FERRY BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Don, The Lodge, Broughty Ferry, N.B. On Saturday, June 1st, Professor Geddes kindly gave a very interesting informal lecture on "Botany," to children and others, in the garden of University College, Dundee. He also promised to continue these lectures on Saturday mornings during June.

DUNFERMLINE BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* (pro tem.): Henry Beveridge, Esq., Pitreavie, Dunfermline, N.B.

EDINBURGH BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Miss Berry Hart, 29, Charlotte Square.

ABERDEEN BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Cary, 434, Union Street.

DEAR EDITOR,—At this season of the year, when every one is planning their summer holiday, it occurs to me that one might suggest to P.N.E.U. members the advisability of taking leaflets and specimen copies of the *Parents' Review* with them to the many new places they visit. A *Review* left about on an hotel table, or at a friend's house, has often been the means of making the Union known.

Yours faithfully, H. FRANKLIN.

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Address by THE EARL OF MEATH, *President of the Society, at the Annual Meeting, June 27th,* 1895.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—The points I shall endeavour to emphasize in my address to you to-day, will be the necessity of a kind but firm home discipline in the training of children, and the deep national importance of the work in which you are engaged. I desire to draw attention to this latter point in no boasting spirit and with no desire to flatter you, but on the contrary, in the hope that by showing you the importance and the greatness of the work, I may make you dissatisfied with even the considerable success you have attained, and impressed with the necessity of bringing the very highest gifts with which God has endowed you, to the consideration of the best means of training children. For what is the work which the Parents' National Union has set itself to accomplish? Nothing less than the establishment of a standard to which all parents should endeavour to attain in the training and moral education of their children.

If that standard be the result of the thoughtful and wise deliberations of the men and women best fitted to advise their fellows in this matter, then it will be difficult to exaggerate the good which may be effected by the Parents' National Union, but if on the contrary ill-considered advice